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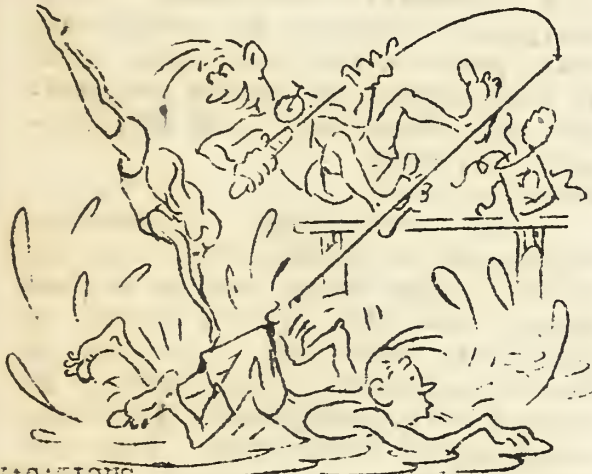
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VACATIONS

The Department encourages vacations for all employees as being beneficial both to you and the Department. It improves your health and gives you a fresh view-point on life, puts a sparkle in your eye and cheer in your smile and makes you more efficient on the job.

It is important to take a vacation each year for a continuous period of at least one week. The most annual leave you can take at one time is ~~14~~<sup>14</sup> days excluding travel time. Longer periods may be taken under unusual circumstances if approved by your personnel office.

In addition to your vacation leave you are entitled to other (con't on p. 3)

BLOOD DONOR PROGRAM

On June 14, 1945, at a very impressive ceremony, Mr. W. A. Minor, Assistant to the Secretary, and Judge Marvin Jones, War Food Administrator, presented certificates to the bureau blood donor chairmen for their gallon donors. Director of Personnel T. Roy Reid acted as emcee. The Band from the Navy School of Music presented several stirring selections in its usual excellent manner and Mr. Glenn Burris, called the "Golden Voice of the Navy" by the late Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, sang "Wake with the Dawn" and "For You Alone".

It was an imposing group of more than 200 employees who were present as having given a gallon or more of blood. In addition there are approximately 150 persons in the field who are gallon donors and one field employee who is a member of the Two Gallon club. R. M. Evans, Governmental Chairman of the Blood Donor Program, recognized the eight members of the Two Gallon Club by calling their names. The seven Washington two-gallon donors had seats of especial honor upon the stage.

Mr. Evans spoke briefly of the high esteem with which Agriculture is regarded by the D. C. Blood Donor (con't on p. 4)

## RUN-OFF ELECTION

On June 12, 3,296 votes were cast in the election for the employee member on the Efficiency Rating Board of Review; however, no one person received one-third of the votes, the amount required for election. Those who received the top number of votes are Robert C. Davenport, 526; Richard A. Hollis, 480; and Tyler F. Haygood, 376. The run-off election to select one of the three will be held on Wednesday, June 27. Be sure to think carefully and cast your ballot on that date. It's your democratic privilege, one of which you should take advantage. BE SURE TO VOTE.

## GARDEN PRODUCE FOR CANNING

The D. C. Victory Garden Office advises you to "can your own if you are going to eat vegetables this winter. In order to be able to do this, every available foot of the garden should be kept producing all summer long." When early crops run out other plantings should be made right in the rows. By putting up a few jars at a time thruout the season a good supply can be built up before winter comes. Remember the excellent canning booklets that are available at the Publications Desk in the Patio.

## SOFTBALL

Agriculture Women's Team in one of the D.C. Federal Softball Leagues began the season with a winner, topping GAO 7 to 5.

## CASTING CLUB

Each Sunday morning from 10 to 1:30 the Casting Club, sponsored by D. C. Recreation, meets at the Lincoln Memorial Reflection Pool. Everyone is welcome to participate. Bring your own rods and reels. Thirty inch tournament targets are used. For more information call Mr. Parsons, Di. 8300.

## SWIMMING POOLS

Have you enjoyed a refreshing dip in one of Washington's swimming pools, either after work or on Sunday. This 94° weather makes it sound very inviting. The names of the outdoor pools are Anacostia, E. Potomac Park, Georgetown, McKinley, Rosedale and Takoma Park. Your contact officer has a listing showing exact location, hours and prices. SEPARATES FROM "AGR. STATISTICS"

Economic Information in BAE and Marketing Reports in O&S and Information Office in OS now have supplies of the "separates" or reprints from the 1944 edition of "Agricultural Statistics". These are useful in answering letters, etc. Each chapter of the book is reprinted as a separate publication. The prefatory Table of Weights and Measures is Separate No. 83, the chapter on Grains is Separate No. 84, etc., thru the last chapter which is Separate No. 93. The complete volume of "Agricultural Statistics, 1944" came from the press in early March, 1945.

BUY WAR BONDS



## ILLINOIS PICNIC

Illinois State Society is holding a picnic and dance on June 23, 6:15 p.m. at Indian Springs Club. For further information, see bulletin boards. Make reservations at 1422 F St., N. W.

## STAMPS FOR THE WOUNDED

The Philately's Volunteer Service Committee is collecting stamps for wounded servicemen. Men interested in stamp collecting get a great deal of pleasure from the stamps sent in. The Committee is interested in receiving every stamp, either loose or on paper, except 1. ordinary 1,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ , 2 and 3¢ U. S. stamps with the picture of either a president, V-eagle, gun, torch, palm, bayonets, or the Statue of Liberty on them; or the 6¢ or 8¢ air mail stamp with the bomber; 2. No stamp which is damaged, no matter how slightly, can be used unless it is very rare and then it should be so identified; 3. Postage meter mail impressions are of no use; 4. "Free" envelopes from servicemen overseas can no longer be collected. This is a recent ruling of military authorities; 4. Old stamp magazines are not wanted.

Albums in usable condition, catalogs issued since 1940 and other philatelic accessories are needed. Send all contributions to E. A. Kehr, National Chairman, 230 W. 41st St., N. Y. 18, N. Y.

## HELP HARVEST WAR CROPS

## VACATIONS (con't from p. 1)

shorter periods of leave from parts of a day up to three days. This should be taken when the work of the office will not be greatly affected.

Employees should cooperate with their supervisors in helping them work out a staggered arrangement on vacations so that both supervisors and employees will know in advance when vacations are to be taken and may plan accordingly.

To aid you in planning your vacation your contact officer will have within the next week a Vacation Pamphlet issued by the D. C. Information Center.

## A WORD TO THE WISE---

When taking your vacation remember sun taken gradually in small doses is good for you. It's good for health and for morale. But be sure to avoid overexposure; it can be extremely painful and may spoil your vacation. Severe burns require a doctor's care.

## SUNDAY EVENING AT THE NATIONAL

## GALLERY OF ART

Have you attended any of the charming concerts held each Sunday evening at 8 in the East Garden Court at the National Gallery of Art? On June 24, why not enjoy a tour of the Gallery, have a delicious supper in the Gallery Cafeteria and then at 8, hear Benno Rabinof, Violinist, in the East Garden Court. The Gallery is located at Constitution Ave. and 6th St., N. W.

## ARE YOU A CAR-POOLER?

Most of us have been car pool members, either driver or passenger, for the past 2 or 3 years. Are we as kind and considerate toward each other now as we were when we began the arrangements? Whether we be driver or passenger, are we always on time? are we always cheerful and uncomplaining or do we unburden our petty, little troubles to the rest of the pool? If we are a passenger, are we grateful for our ride and do we show our gratitude to the car-owner? if we are a driver, do we appreciate being able to get passengers who make it possible for us to drive to work? Are we considerate of others in the car - do we ask if we may smoke? do we refrain from taking up too much space? do we confine our newspaper and bundles to our laps? If we are the driver, do we let passengers know in advance when we're not driving either to or from work; if we're a passenger do we tell the driver so he can't quit needlessly? Does the driver make a special effort to be regular. Does everyone pitch in and help change tires that go flat or do passengers grab a cab and leave the driver with the dirty work to do? Do we help the driver conserve gas by not asking him to go off his route for us?

We know both drivers and passengers are cooperating on these phases of car pooling; otherwise, we would not have such a successful program.

We're all proud of our high car-pooling average and the recognition given us for it by OPA.

## WANT RIDES

Mr. Mounsaville, 5456 R-St., Coral Hills, Md., ext. 4383

Miss Johnson, 616 Mellon St., S.E., ext. 5264

Miss Musial, 5012 H St., S.E., ext. 2253

Miss Guill, 2712 Wisconsin Ave., N.W., ext. 5291

Miss Thomas, 1362 Rittenhouse St., N.W., ext. 4300

Miss Cochran, 4878 28th St. S., N. Fairlington, Va., ext. 2704

Mr. Gilbert, 804 Thayer St., Silver Springs, Md., OSS, ext. 2046

W. Bacr, 406 W. Frederick St., Arlington, Va., ext. 5615

## WANTS RIDERS

Mr. Barti, Friendly, Md., ext. 4338

## WANT RIDERS

Mr. Granger, 4514 Connecticut Ave., N.W., ext. 6363

Mrs. Staves, 4523 Gladwyne Drive, Bethesda, Md., ext. 6292

## BLOOD DONOR (con't from p. 1)

Center. They consider us their most dependable customer. Agriculture employees in Washington have contributed more than 9,500 pints of blood since the program began in 1942.

The Department is again proud of this patriotic record of its employees and the Certificates of Appreciation will be presented to all employees who become members of the Gallon Club.